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SUBJ: NPG: OCT 22 NPG STAFF GROUP MEETING

REF: A. USNATO 5699 201426Z OCT 75

B. USNATO 5706 201715Z OCT 75

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SUMMARY: AT THE OCT 22 MEETING, NPG STAFF GROUP DISCUSSED AND FURTHER REVISED THE DRAFT PERMREPS REPORT ON PHASE III (REF B). SG WILL MEET AGAIN ON OCTOBER 24 IN A FURTHER ATTEMPT TO REACH FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE DRAFT REPORT, SO THAT IT CAN BE READY FOR THE OCT 29 PERMREP MEETING. ACTION REQUESTED: IF POSSIBLE, WASHINGTON COMMENT AND/OR APPROVAL BY OCT 24 OF THE DRAFT REPORT (REF B) AS MODIFIED BY THE CORRIGENDUM WHICH FOLLOWS IN PARA 5 BELOW. END SUMMARY

1. AT THE OCT 22 MEETING, NETHERLANDS REP (VAN VALDEREN) INITIATED FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THE REVISED DRAFT PERMREP REPORT ON PHASE III BY MAKING A STATEMENT REGARDING HIS GOVERNMENT'S SECRET

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VIEWS ON PARTICIPATION IN THE PHASE III WORKING GROUP. HE STATED THAT THE NETHERLANDS CONSIDERED THE PHASE III EFFORT TO BE ON A PAR WITH THE CONSULTATION AND INITIAL USE GUIDELINES IN ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE ALLIANCE. HE SAID HIS AUTHORITIES AS YET HAD NOT

REACHED A FIRM DECISION ON PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKING GROUP. THEIR HESITATION IN PART WAS DUE TO THE RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER OF OFFICIALS IN THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT WHO SPECIALIZE IN NUCLEAR MATTERS AND THE CONSEQUENT POSSIBILITY THAT THEY MIGHT FIND IT DIFFICULT TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN WORKING GROUP ACTIVITIES. THE FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTERS WILL MAKE THE FINAL DECISION, BUT NETHERLANDS REP WAS UNCERTAIN AS TO TIMING. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT PARTICIPATION BY A SMALL EUROPEAN COUNTRY SUCH AS THE NETHERLANDS WOULD BE DESIRABLE, ALTHOUGH IT WOULD INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE WORKING GROUP BEYOND WHAT WE INITIALLY ENVISIONED. END COMMENT.

2. THERE FOLLOWS IN PARA 5 BELOW A CORRIGENDUM TO THE REVISED DRAFT PERMREP REPORT ON PHASE III (REF B). THE CHANGES ARE PRIMARILY EDITORIAL, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PARAS 1 AND 9. SG AGREED TO THESE CHANGES AFTER DISCUSSION OF THE WORK SCHEDULE FOR COM-

PLETING THE DRAFT REPORT IN TIME FOR THE OCTOBER 29 PERMREP MEETING. SG WILL MEET AGAIN ON OCT 24 IN ORDER TO ATTEMPT FINAL DRAFTING, BUT NOTED THAT U.S. REP (WOODWORTH) AND ITALIAN REP (AZZARI) RESERVED PENDING RECEIPT OF INSTRUCTIONS.

3. FRG REP (HUBER) REAFFIRMED HIS GOVERNMENT'S VIEW THAT PHASE III SHOULD ONLY CONSOLIDATE PRESENT GUIDANCE AND SHOULD NOT SUBSTANTIALLY MODIFY IT (REF A, PARA 2).

PARA 1 OF THE CORRIGENDUM REFLECTS THE FRG POSITION, WHICH WAS MODIFIED BY THE PROPOSAL OF UK REP (BEAUMONT), TO ALLOW "REFINEMENT" OF PRESENT GUIDANCE. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT THIS CHANGE IS ACCEPTABLE AND DOES NOT OVERLY CONSTRAIN THE WORKING GROUP IN DRAFTING THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT. END COMMENT.

4. IMS REP (GALLUP) AGAIN STATED HIS AUTHORITIES' OBJECTION TO SPECIFYING SHAPE AS A MEMBER OF THE WORKING GROUP (REF A, PARA 5). IMS REP AGREED THAT PROBABLY ONLY ONE MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE WORKING GROUP WAS DESIRABLE, AND THAT, IN MOST CASES, THIS REPRESENTATIVE WOULD BE FROM SHAPE. HOWEVER, IMS WANTED TO RESERVE THE FLEXIBILITY TO CHANGE MILITARY REPRESENTATION IN LIGHT
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OF TOPICS UNDER DISCUSSION, E.G., A SACLANC REP WHEN MARIPME MATTERS WERE BEFORE THE WORKING GROUP. COMMENT: GIVEN THE UNDERSTANDING THAT NMA REPRESENTATION WOULD COME PRIMARILY FROM SHAPE, WE BELIEVE THAT THE CHANGE IS ACCEPTABLE AND WILL IMPROVE THE LIKELIHOOD OF ACCEPTANCE OF THE DRAFT PERMREPS REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN, MC. END COMMENT.

5. BEGIN TEXT OF CORRIGENDUM:

1. PARA 5: INSERT NEW SECOND SENTENCE AFTER FIRST SENTENCE, AS FOLLOWS:

"THIS CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT WOULD NOT SUPERSEDE THE PRESENT GUIDANCE, ALTHOUGH, WHEN COMPLETED, MIGHT SHOW WHERE THAT GUIDANCE SHOULD BE REFINED."

2. PARA 6: INSERT UNDER NEW (A) THE FOLLOWING:

"ATHENS GUIDELINES(1)

(1) C-M(62)66, 30TH MAY, 1962."

CHANGE THE FOLLOWING SEQUENCE AND FOOTNOTES ACCORDINGLY,
I.E. (A) NOW BECOMES (B), ETC.

3. PARA 7: DELETE (H) THROUGH (K) AND LABEL FOLLOWING
LETTERS ACCORDINGLY.

4. PARA 9: SECOND SENTENCE, FIRST WORD: REPLACE "THIS"
BY "THE". CHANGE PENULTIMATE SENTENCE TO READ:
"THIS SHOULD BE FOLLOWED BY A DESCRIPTION OF NATO'S OWN
NUCLEAR CAPABILITY AND ITS RELATION TO ALLIANCE POLITICAL
AND MILITARY OBJECTIVES."

DELETE LAST SENTENCE ENTIRELY.

5. PARA 10: DELETE (B) AND REPLACE BY:

"B. OBJECTIVES OF NUCLEAR WEAPON USE

- RESTORE DETERRENCE AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL OF
ESCALATION

- INDUCE THE ENEMY TO MAKE THE POLITICAL DECISION TO
CEASE HIS ATTACK AND WITHDRAW

- PRESERVE OR RESTORE THE INTEGRITY AND SECURITY OF
THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY AREA."

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"D THIRD INSERT, ADD THE FOLLOWING IN BRACKETS:

"(BROAD CLASSES OF TARGETS, MATRIX OF OPTIONS)"

THEN ADD A FOURTH INSERT, AS FOLLOWS:

"-COORDINATION OF US AND NATO'S EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS."

6. PARA 11: START WITH THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE AND
CONTINUE AS INDICATED:

"THE PHASE III WORK MIGHT ALSO INCLUDE SOME DESIRABLE
CHARACTERISTICS OF THEATRE NUCLEAR FORCES IN ORDER TO
GUIDE FURTHER EFFORTS IN THIS REGARD. FINALLY, THE
WORK SHOULD INCLUDE..."

7. PARA 14: ADD THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE AT THE END OF THIS
PARAGRAPH:

"IT IS ALSO ENVISAGED THAT THE WORKING GROUP WOULD INFORM
THE STAFF GROUP ON A REGULAR BASIS REGARDING THEIR
PROGRESS."

8. PARA 15: AMEND LAST SENTENCE, AS FOLLOWS:

"IT WOULD THEN BE LEFT TO THE WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP
A DRAFT DOCUMENT."

9. PARA 18 (C): CHANGE THE LAST TWO LINES TO READ

AS FOLLOWS:

"AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES,
UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES."
END TEXTBRUCE

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